

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: IES UTILITIES INC.	DOCKET NO. WRU-98-39-151
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ORDER REQUIRING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

(Issued June 1, 2001)

A hearing in this docket is scheduled for June 6, 2001, pursuant to the Utilities Board's (Board) rehearing order issued May 3, 2001, and order rescheduling hearing issued May 10, 2001. In preparation for the hearing, the Board has determined that some of its questions should be answered in advance of the hearing because the answers may require calculations that cannot be readily performed on the witness stand. Therefore, IES Utilities Inc. (IES) and the Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice (Consumer Advocate) will be required to file responses to their designated questions on or before June 5, 2001. This will allow all parties, and the Board, an opportunity to examine the responses prior to hearing.

QUESTIONS FOR IES

1. On a percentage basis, how much is the discount to Keokuk Ferro-Sil (Ferro-Sil) in the past year compared to the total discounts given to all flexible rate customers?

2. Estimate the amounts, given projected wholesale electricity market clearing prices, IES could receive by selling the 40 MW committed to Ferro-Sil?

3. If the Board were to decide to include Duane Arnold Energy Center (DAEC) and/or purchased power in determining Ferro-Sil's floor price, what values should be included? For DAEC, should this be fuel cost only, fuel cost and other variable operations and maintenance costs, or total cost? For purchased power, should this be energy charges only, or energy and demand charges? Please explain the reasons for your responses.

QUESTIONS FOR CONSUMER ADVOCATE

1. Estimate any changes to IES' energy adjustment clause that would occur if Ferro-Sil's capacity were put back into the total company mix and could be sold to other customers? Please explain any assumptions and the methodology used to arrive at the estimate.

2. If the Board were to decide to include Duane Arnold Energy Center (DAEC) and/or purchased power in determining Ferro-Sil's floor price, what values should be included? For DAEC, should this be fuel cost only, fuel cost and other variable operations and maintenance costs, or total cost? For purchased power, should this be energy charges only, or energy and demand charges? Please explain the reasons for your responses.

ORDERING CLAUSE

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

IES Utilities Inc. and the Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice shall file responses to the questions designated in this order on or before June 5, 2001.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Acting Executive Secretary

/s/ Diane Munns

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 1st day of June, 2001.